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SUBJECT: NATO CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING (CEP) - AGENDA
FOR PLENARY SESSION: NATO CONSUMER LOGISTICS E
NATO CONSUMER LOGISTICS (AS OPPOSED TO PRODUCTION
LOGISTICS CONCERNS RECEPTION, STORAGE, TRANSPORT,
MAINTENANCE AND DISPOSAL OF MILITARY MATERIEL.

THE SUBJECT OF CONSUMER LOGISTICS HAS A NUMBER OF
RAMIFICATIONS IN NATO CEP; HOWEVER, IT HAS NOT YET BEEN
BROUGHT TO THE DIRECT ATTENTION OF THE SENIOR CIVIL
EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (SCEPC). UNLESS THE MISSION
HAS ANY RESERVATIONS, WE PROPOSE THAT THE FOLLOWING TEXT BE
SENT TO THE DIRECTOR, CEP:

QUOTE THE U.S. HAS NOTED WITH INTEREST THE REPORT
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(AC/300-D/1) PREPARED BY THE EXPERTS WORKING PARTY ON THE
ASSESSMENT OF THE NEED FOR A CONSUMERS LOGISTICS FORUM IN
THE CIVIL STRUCTURE OF NATO AND THE SUBSEQUENT DELIBERATIONS
OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON SUCH A FORUM, AS REFLECTED
IN THE AC/300 SERIES OF DOCUMENTS.

THE U.S. HAS FURTHER NOTED THAT THE DIRECTOR, CEP

PARTICIPATED IN THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE SENIOR NATO MILITARY LOGISTICS CONFERENCE WHEN THE REPORT BY THE EXPERT WORKING PARTY WAS PRESENTED ON 29/30 JUNE 1976.

IN REVIEWING AC/300-D/1, IT APPEARS THAT MANY OF THE SUBJECTS INVESTIGATED AND THE CONCLUSIONS REACHED FOLLOWING THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE SCEPC AND ITS PB&CS. EXAMPLES OF THIS INCLUDE THE EXPERTS WORKING PARTY EXAMINATION OF AND FINDINGS REACHED CONCERNING:

- LACK OF WARTIME LOC ARRANGEMENTS AND COORDINATION OF EXISTING BILATERAL LOC AGREEMENTS;

- LACK OF ADEQUATE RECEPTION FACILITIES FOR EXTERNAL FORCES MAINLY IN THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN REGIONS;

- LACK OF TRANSATLANTIC LIFT CAPACITIES FOR REINFORCEMENT AND RESUPPLY;

- LACK OF INTRA-THEATRE AIRLIFT CAPACITIES;

- LACK OF FORUM BELOW COUNCIL LEVEL TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS UNRESOLVED PROBLEMS ARISING BETWEEN MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND CEP MACHINERY OF NATO IN AREAS OF RESPONSIVENESS OF THE CEP MACHINERY OF NATO TO MILITARY REQUIREMENTS; AND

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- REDUCTION OF PRODUCTION LEAD TIMES.

THE U.S. WISHES TO INVITE THE DIRECTOR, CEP TO ADD AN ITEM, "INTERFACE OF CE, WITH NATO DEFENSE CONSUMER LOGISTICS TO THE SCEPC

PLENARY AGENDA NEXT MONTH. ON THAT OCCASION, THE DIRECTOR CEP IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE THE SENIOR COMMITTEE IN RESPECT TO: (1) THE INTERACTION AND COORDINATION THAT OCCURRED BETWEEN THE CEP DIRECTORATE AND THE EXPERT WORKING GROUP DURING ITS DELIBERATIONS, AND (2) THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR COORDINATION AND THE STATUS OF ANY CURRENT EXCHANGES AND INTERACTIONS BETWEEN THE CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING STRUCTURE AND THE VARIOUS BODIES CONCERNED WITH STUDYING AND EVALUATING A NATO CONSUMER LOGISTICS FORUM, AND (3) HIS APPRAISAL WITH RESPECT TO THE FUTURE ACTIONS THAT SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE SCEPC, THE PB&CS AND THE CEP DIRECTORATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH AND IN SUPPORT OF THE CURRENT STUDIES PERTAINING TO THE CONSUMER LOGISTICS FORUM. END QUOTE

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